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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Madame:

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 24, 2009, Applicants hereby elect Group II as defined on page 2 of the Office Action [claims 103-105, directed, *e.g.*, to a method for detecting albumen allergens].

No fee is believed to be due with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 22-0261 and advise us accordingly.

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